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EXPORT TRADE BY COMMODITY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the slight increase in United States exports of domestic merchandise from \$1,543.7 million in January to \$1,599.2 million in February reflected increases in exports of finished manufactures, semimanufactures, manufactured foodstuffs, and crude foodstuffs which were partly offset by a decline in exports of crude materials. February domestic merchandise exports were about 23 percent higher than the unusually low February 1959 total of \$1,265.9 million. These figures include data on M.S.P. (military) exports.

With M.S.P. (military) shipments excluded, domestic exports during February were valued at \$1,480.3 million, a level slightly higher than the January total of \$1,466.0 million and about 27 percent higher than the February 1959 total of \$1,169.2 million.

Exports of finished manufactures rose from \$855.8 million in January to \$875.9 million in February owing chiefly to gains in exports of motor trucks and busses, from \$24.8 to

\$33.7 million; ammunition, components and parts, from \$12.3 to \$20.4 million; and textile, sewing, and shoe machinery, from \$10.3 to \$13.7 million. The rise in exports of semimanufactures from \$239.8 to \$251.1 million was due largely to increases in exports of aluminum semimanufactures, from \$13.7 to \$22.2 million and copper semimanufactures, from \$8.8 to \$14.2 million. Exports of manufactured foodstuffs climbed from \$82.9 to \$93.3 million as gains were reported in exports of manufactured foodstuffs for relief or charity, from \$4.4 to \$11.5 million; refined vegetable oils, fats and waxes, from \$4.3 to \$7.1 million; and milled rice, from \$10.2 to \$12.6 million. Increases in exports of wheat, from \$57.0 to \$66.8 million and corn, from \$17.8 to \$22.6 million were the primary factors in the rise in exports of crude foodstuffs from \$122.4 to \$130.7 million.

During the period, exports of crude materials fell from \$242.7 to \$208.2 million as noticeable decreases were reported in exports of unmanufactured cotton, from \$137.5 to \$106.6 million and oilseeds, from \$24.0 to \$19.4 million.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

**COVERAGE:** Export statistics include government as well as non-government shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Mutual Security Program military aid, Mutual Security Program economic aid and Department of the Army Civilian Supply shipments. Separate figures for Mutual Security Program military aid are shown in the footnotes of this report. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but export trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in export statistics.

**VALUATION:** The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. However, in some instances the valuation may not be reported in accordance with this definition, particularly where the export value is difficult to determine or must be

estimated. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

**EFFECT OF SAMPLING:** The value of export shipments individually valued at \$100-\$499 (about five percent of total export value) is estimated by sampling. Effective with the statistics for January 1960, the previous sample ratio of 10 percent has been increased to a 50 percent sample for countries other than Canada with the 10 percent sample being retained for Canada. The estimated values are distributed among the individual commodity totals. For the 1960 export figures in this report, the probable variability due to sampling is less than \$50,000 or less than a trivial percentage which can be ignored. For periods prior to 1960, the probable variability due to sampling is less than \$50,000 or less than two percent of the individual totals shown. The largest variation from rounding of figures is \$50,000. For further information regarding sampling procedures, see the September 1953, February 1954, January and June 1956, and the October-December 1959 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 410. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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## UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:

FEBRUARY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Quantity in units indicated; value in millions of dollars. Figures for 1960 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1959 include revisions published with the December 1959 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1960. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts. See "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures and effect thereof on data shown.)

Economic class and commodity	February 1960	January 1960	February 1959	Monthly average	
				1959	1958
Total.....value..	<sup>1</sup> 1,559.2	<sup>2</sup> 1,543.7	<sup>3</sup> 1,265.9	<sup>4</sup> 1,448.6	<sup>5</sup> 1,447.3
Crude materials.....value..	208.2	242.7	113.2	159.5	178.2
Hides and skins, raw, except furs.....value..	7.9	5.1	4.1	5.2	4.6
Animal and fish oils and greases, inedible.....1,000 lb..	142,049	152,166	85,016	120,904	92,427
value..	9.6	10.5	7.2	9.3	8.0
Oil seeds.....value..	19.4	24.0	19.9	26.4	18.0
Tobacco, unmanufactured.....1,000 lb..	25,452	23,072	17,019	38,801	40,191
value..	19.4	16.9	12.0	28.9	29.5
Cotton, unmanufactured.....1,000 bales..	869	1,144	228	333	398
value..	106.6	137.5	26.5	37.7	55.1
Coal.....1,000 s.tons..	2,230	2,150	2,444	3,251	4,381
value..	21.7	21.1	24.7	31.5	43.8
Crude petroleum.....1,000 bbl..	299	264	97	210	362
value..	0.8	0.7	0.2	0.6	1.2
All other crude materials.....value..	22.8	26.9	18.6	20.0	17.9
Crude foodstuffs.....value..	130.7	122.4	107.6	120.3	106.6
Corn.....1,000 bu..	16,661	13,614	16,571	18,250	14,986
value..	22.6	17.8	22.2	23.8	19.7
Wheat.....1,000 bu..	39,978	33,502	28,410	29,712	27,520
value..	66.8	57.0	48.6	51.0	47.5
Other grains.....value..	22.2	24.0	21.2	23.1	19.9
Vegetables, fresh or dried.....1,000 lb..	107,945	142,361	111,086	141,027	118,444
value..	5.9	8.2	6.1	7.9	6.1
Fruits, fresh or frozen.....1,000 lb..	104,612	122,017	85,430	125,300	110,949
value..	7.5	9.0	5.6	9.0	8.9
Crude foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3
All other crude foodstuffs.....value..	5.4	5.9	3.8	5.2	4.3
Manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	93.3	82.9	66.1	89.7	91.8
Meat and meat products.....1,000 lb..	32,147	30,696	21,745	29,244	19,702
value..	8.5	8.5	6.7	8.8	6.9
Lard.....1,000 lb..	50,260	68,800	56,521	50,347	32,404
value..	4.4	6.2	5.9	5.0	4.4
Dairy products.....1,000 lb..	22,498	20,303	15,736	40,548	40,495
value..	6.1	5.6	4.0	7.9	8.4
Fish, canned, prepared, etc.....1,000 lb..	5,277	6,573	3,317	5,670	3,437
value..	1.3	1.8	1.0	1.9	1.3
Milled rice.....1,000,000 lb..	188	169	55	125	103
value..	12.6	10.2	4.2	8.3	8.0
Wheat flour.....1,000 cwt..	2,658	2,805	1,442	2,236	2,259
value..	9.7	9.9	5.6	8.5	9.6
Vegetables, canned and prepared.....value..	3.9	4.4	3.2	3.4	3.6
Fruits, dried and evaporated.....1,000 lb..	17,879	19,068	7,003	11,654	16,305
value..	3.6	4.0	1.9	2.7	3.4
Canned fruits.....1,000 lb..	21,977	18,035	19,657	29,003	30,514
value..	3.4	2.7	3.1	4.4	4.7
Fruit juices.....1,000 gal..	3,477	2,971	2,340	2,676	3,024
value..	4.4	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.9
Vegetable oils, fats and waxes, refined.....1,000 lb..	56,847	33,294	24,062	57,600	66,807
value..	7.1	4.3	3.6	8.6	10.6
Sugar and related products.....value..	2.0	1.6	2.0	1.9	2.0
Manufactured foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	11.5	4.4	9.1	9.0	12.6
All other manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	14.8	15.7	12.1	15.7	12.3
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	251.1	239.8	175.8	205.2	189.8
Leather.....value..	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.2	2.1
Synthetic rubber.....1,000 lb..	66,784	65,594	36,160	54,784	36,716
value..	17.5	17.0	9.7	14.2	9.8

See footnotes at end of table.



UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:  
FEBRUARY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS--Continued

Economic class and commodity	February 1960	January 1960	February 1959	Monthly average	
				1959	1958
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> —Continued					
Naval Stores, gums and resins.....value..	6.3	7.3	2.5	3.7	3.0
Vegetable oils and fats, crude.....1,000 lb..	85,147	73,361	18,379	72,440	28,801
.....value..	8.6	7.4	2.2	8.0	3.5
Cotton semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	31,845	32,724	22,823	29,090	24,573
.....value..	4.5	4.5	3.5	4.2	3.8
Wool semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	11,834	10,901	9,639	12,244	9,392
.....value..	2.0	1.6	1.5	1.9	1.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	13,362	13,501	8,447	12,014	9,105
.....value..	11.3	10.6	6.2	9.2	7.1
Sawmill products.....1,000 bd.ft..	60,041	64,823	45,213	65,606	60,626
.....value..	7.2	7.9	5.2	7.5	6.5
Wood pulp.....1,000 s.tons..	70	69	43	54	43
.....value..	9.3	9.8	6.5	7.9	6.5
Fuel oil, distillate and residual.....1,000 bbl..	2,756	2,509	2,881	2,833	3,325
.....value..	7.3	6.7	7.5	7.7	9.8
Sulfur.....1,000 l.tons..	108	116	124	134	131
.....value..	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.3
Steel mill products, semifinished.....value..	1.3	1.0	0.2	0.4	1.3
Iron and steel bars, including bar size shapes.....1,000 lb..	14,798	16,456	15,933	11,182	20,516
.....value..	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.2	2.0
Iron and steel plates, sheets and strips.....1,000 lb..	109,408	89,417	106,445	83,486	157,053
.....value..	13.6	12.3	11.5	9.9	15.0
Tin mill products, including tin mill black plate.....1,000 lb..	84,151	74,982	83,175	76,642	82,386
.....value..	6.8	6.2	6.7	6.1	6.5
Other iron and steel semimanufactures.....value..	18.6	15.0	10.2	15.7	10.3
Aluminum semimanufactures.....value..	22.2	13.7	5.5	6.4	3.6
Copper semimanufactures.....value..	14.2	8.8	12.3	8.4	16.9
Coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products.....value..	11.3	11.8	8.2	8.7	8.4
Plastics and resin materials.....1,000 lb..	54,286	63,593	51,342	57,839	46,971
.....value..	19.9	23.0	19.0	21.5	17.4
Industrial chemicals, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	24.1	26.9	17.8	21.2	17.9
Pigments.....1,000 lb..	48,732	69,622	45,874	55,824	52,048
.....value..	4.9	6.7	4.6	5.6	5.1
Nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials.....1,000 lb..	49,820	62,532	244,868	112,061	105,897
.....value..	1.7	2.0	5.6	3.0	2.9
All other semimanufactures, excl. Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	732.5	732.6	722.9	727.3	725.3
Finished manufactures.....value..	875.9	855.8	803.2	873.9	910.8
Truck, bus, and automobile tires (casings), new.....thousands..	125	145	74	92	102
.....value..	3.8	4.4	3.8	3.8	4.7
Other rubber manufactures.....value..	9.0	8.2	8.0	8.1	7.8
Cigarettes.....millions..	1,490	1,442	1,428	1,631	1,506
.....value..	6.4	6.1	6.1	7.0	6.4
Other tobacco manufactures.....value..	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.7
Cotton cloth.....1,000 sq.yd..	<sup>8</sup> 38,538	<sup>8</sup> 47,468	<sup>8</sup> 33,974	<sup>8</sup> 39,357	41,744
.....value..	<sup>8</sup> 12.8	<sup>8</sup> 12.8	<sup>8</sup> 9.8	<sup>8</sup> 10.7	11.3
Other cotton manufactures.....value..	8.1	7.0	6.6	7.9	8.1
Wool manufactures.....value..	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile manufactures.....value..	13.6	12.1	10.6	12.9	12.4
Other textile manufactures.....value..	5.7	5.4	4.2	5.4	4.8
Wood manufactures, advanced.....value..	2.4	2.7	2.0	2.6	2.6
Paper and manufactures.....value..	18.3	19.9	16.7	19.5	18.3
Motor fuel and gasoline, including jet fuels (all types).....value..	4.2	4.7	8.6	8.1	11.0
Lubricating oil.....value..	14.7	16.0	13.0	15.2	15.5
Glass and products.....value..	6.8	6.7	6.2	7.0	6.6
Steel mill manufactures.....value..	11.4	12.3	13.5	11.3	19.9
Metal manufactures, n.e.c.....value..	34.6	32.2	33.4	37.1	40.0
Electric household refrigerators and freezers.....number..	24,696	23,611	29,303	28,871	32,383
.....value..	3.9	3.8	4.6	4.5	4.9
Radio and television apparatus.....value..	19.3	17.9	20.3	21.0	23.3
Other electrical machinery and apparatus.....value..	50.3	52.3	46.8	54.0	56.8
Power generating machinery, n.e.c.....value..	17.7	17.6	22.1	20.6	19.2
Construction, excavating, mining and related machinery.....value..	56.6	55.6	50.6	57.5	58.1
Machine tools (including metal-forming machine tools) and parts, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	13.7	13.1	11.5	12.8	14.5
Metalworking machines and parts, except machine tools and parts.....value..	13.2	11.4	13.9	13.2	13.8
Textile, sewing and shoe machinery.....value..	13.7	10.3	7.0	9.0	7.9
Other industrial machinery and parts.....value..	73.4	73.3	62.5	70.8	75.6

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FEBRUARY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity	February 1960	January 1960	February 1959	Monthly average	
				1959	1958
Finished manufactures—Continued					
Office, accounting, and computing machines and parts.....value..	15.9	14.1	12.6	12.1	11.1
Agricultural machines, implements and parts.....value..	12.6	9.8	10.8	12.0	10.3
Tractors.....number..	9,582	5,270	6,184	5,313	4,183
.....value..	21.6	21.2	15.6	17.7	15.8
Tractor parts and accessories.....value..	14.1	11.5	10.1	11.9	10.1
Motor trucks and busses, commercial (new).....number..	15,956	12,215	10,282	13,495	12,322
.....value..	33.7	24.8	22.4	26.7	24.7
Passenger cars, nonmilitary (new).....number..	12,806	11,684	10,290	8,699	10,203
.....value..	25.6	24.5	22.7	18.3	21.6
Automobile parts for assembly and replacement.....value..	49.2	51.1	42.9	44.4	39.3
Military automobiles, trucks, busses, trailers, parts, accessories and service equipment; commercial maintenance and repair trucks (new).....value..	9.5	7.2	<sup>9</sup> 12.6	9.6	<sup>9</sup> 18.1
Aircraft, parts and accessories.....value..	65.5	68.5	54.2	64.1	81.0
Merchant ships, nonmilitary, n.e.c.....number..	2	7	7	11	11
.....value..	0.2	0.9	0.8	7.5	6.3
Railway transportation equipment.....value..	10.1	12.4	7.8	8.6	17.4
Antibiotics.....value..	4.5	5.8	5.4	5.7	5.5
Other medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations.....value..	16.2	16.2	18.1	17.9	17.7
Soap and toilet preparations.....value..	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.8
Small arms, machine guns, parts and accessories, n.e.c.....value..	1.3	2.7	1.5	2.4	6.4
Ammunition, components and parts.....value..	20.4	12.3	7.6	16.7	15.6
Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	33.1	35.8	60.3	46.8	42.2
All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	125.7	128.0	<sup>9</sup> 113.1	127.7	<sup>9</sup> 121.0

<sup>1</sup>Includes \$78.9 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$39.3 million to Western Europe). <sup>2</sup>Includes \$77.7 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$25.8 million to Western Europe). <sup>3</sup>Includes \$96.7 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$41.3 million to Western Europe). <sup>4</sup>Includes \$102.3 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$54.9 million to Western Europe). <sup>5</sup>Includes \$128.6 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$58.6 million to Western Europe). <sup>6</sup>See the April 1958 issue of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes for explanation of Special Categories and list of commodities included. <sup>7</sup>For security reasons, data on exports of all forms of uranium, thorium and special nuclear material (Schedule B commodity numbers 62510-62590) are excluded from expert statistics. <sup>8</sup>Includes data for Schedule B commodity numbers 30399 and 30855, converted to square yards on the basis of four square yards per pound; and B number 30610, converted to square yards on the basis of three square yards per pound. <sup>9</sup>Figures are revised to correct erroneous inclusion of data for Schedule B commodity number 79080 (Commercial maintenance and repair trucks, new) in the totals for "All other finished manufactures" rather than "Military automobiles, trucks, busses, trailers, parts, accessories and service equipment; commercial maintenance and repair trucks, new" in the issues of Report No. FT 930-E for periods prior to January 1960.

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